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Application Serial No. 09/704,210)	
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Filed: January 23, 2004)	
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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING A)	
FLUID SUBSTANCE FROM A)	
COLLECTION DEVICE)	

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the references listed on the enclosed PTO/SB/08 forms (two copies of each) for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified application. Those references not previously cited during the prosecution of parent application Serial No. 09/704,210 are enclosed herewith.

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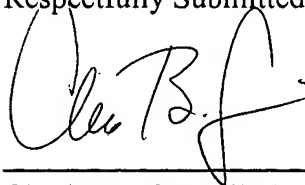
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